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11. (SBU) As reported in ref B, Ambassador met with Finance Minister Bader Al-Humaidhi on November 1 to commend the GOK for its \$100M pledge and to urge increased GOK assistance to earthquake relief efforts in Pakistan. Without offering specifics, Al-Humaidhi said that the initial \$100M package was "only the start" of the GOK's relief efforts.

12. (SBU) The GOK will be closed for the Muslim Eid holiday (November 3-6). Embassy will follow-up with relevant GOK ministries after Eid to gauge the possibility of additional GOK pledges by the November 19 conference and will report findings to Washington.

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